

SCOTT A. THOMPSON Executive Director

# OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

KEVIN STITT Governor

February 8, 2022

Ms. Michele Loudenback City of Norman 3901 Chautauqua Ave. Norman, OK 73072

Re:

Final Permit Modification

Tier II Permit Modification Application

Solid Waste Transfer Station

Cleveland County (Permit No. 3514007)

Dear Ms. Loudenback:

On October 8, 2021 the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) received a Tier II Modification Application for the Norman Solid Waste Transfer Station to include a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Facility. City of Norman residents can drop off HHW (e.g., batteries, pesticides, paint, etc.) for sorting, packing, transportation, and disposal (by a contractor) at an approved disposal facility; and take-home good-conditioned items dropped off by other residents. DEQ found the application to be administratively and technically complete and issued the draft permit on November 4, 2021.

The notice of draft permit issued was published in *The Norman Transcript* on December 10, 2021, initiating the 30-day comment period and opportunity to request a public meeting. DEQ received the proof of publication on December 21, 2021, meeting the twenty-day requirement of OAC 252:4-7-13(d). No comments or requests for a public meeting were received.

Enclosed is a copy of the Final Permit Modification. Please note, condition B.7 requires submittal to DEQ of the supplemental Operations Plan with contractor addendum added. If you have any questions, please contact Kaylee Shiplet of my staff at (405) 702-5196 or Kaylee.shiplet@deq.ok.gov.

Sincerely,

Hillary Young, P. E

Chief Engineer

Land Protection Division

HY/ks



SCOTT A. THOMPSON Executive Director

### OKIAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

KEVIN STITT Governor

# **SOLID WASTE PERMIT MODIFICATON**

PERMIT NUMBER:

3514007

PERMITTEE:

City of Norman

SITE:

City of Norman Transfer Station

LOCATION:

Cleveland County, Oklahoma

**EXPIRATION DATE:** 

Upon DEQ approval of final closure

MODIFICATION: Modify the City of Norman Transfer Station permit to include a self-contained, enclosed permanent facility where Norman residents can take their household-hazardous waste (HHW) for sorting, packing, transportation, and disposal (by a contractor) at an approved disposal facility. The HHW collection facility will operate in a separate building within the existing transfer station permit boundary.

This Permit Modification has been prepared by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality, pursuant to its authority under the Oklahoma Solid Waste Management Act, 27A O.S. § 2-10-101 et seq., and the Oklahoma Administrative Code (OAC) 252 (Rules) promulgated thereunder. It sets forth conditions and requirements for the operation and maintenance of the City of Norman HHW Collection Facility

This Permit Modification may be further modified, revoked and reissued, or terminated for cause as specified in 27A O.S. §2-3-502 and OAC 252:4. The filing of a request for a permit modification, revocation and reissuance, or termination, or the notification of planned changes or anticipated noncompliance on the part of City of Norman does not stay the applicability or enforceability of any Permit Condition or any other law providing for protection of public health or the environment from an imminent or substantial endangerment.

Issuance of this Permit Modification does not convey any property rights of any sort or any exclusive privilege; nor does it authorize any injury to persons or property, any invasion of other private rights, or any infringement of state or local laws or regulations.

The provisions of this Permit Modification are severable. If any part or provision of this Permit Modification or the application of any provision of this Permit Modification to any circumstance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of that court or the application of such provision to other circumstances and the remainder of this Permit Modification shall not be affected thereby.

If conditions of the Permit change, a permit modification application must be submitted within thirty (30) days to DEQ for approval.

### **INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE**

The Tier II application received by DEQ on October 8, 2021 is incorporated by reference and constitutes the complete application.

City of Norman Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility is authorized to operate in conformity with the documents incorporated by reference. Commencing operations under this permit modification constitutes acceptance of, and consent to, the conditions contained herein.

Hillary Young, P.E. Chief Engineer

**Land Protection Division** 

Date: 2-8-27

Kelly Dixon, Director
Land Protection Division

Date: 2-8-22

THIS PERMIT MODIFICATION IS BASED ON DATA, DESIGN CRITERIA, PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS PRESENTED IN THE CITY OF NORMAN HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION FACILITY APPLICATION, AS REVISED AND SUPPLEMENTED, WHICH ARE HEREBY APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE HEREIN. ANY INACCURACIES FOUND IN THE APPLICATION OR SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION MAY PROVIDE A CAUSE FOR POTENTIAL ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST THE CITY OF NORMAN TRANSFER STATION AND THE MODIFICATION OR REVOCATION OF THIS PERMIT.

#### A. PERMIT MODIFICATION SUMMARY

- 1. Name of Site: City of Norman MSW Transfer Station
- 2. Type of Facility: Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
- 3. Permit Number: 3514007
- 4. Name of Applicant, Applicant Representative, and Applicant Address:

City of Norman, Utilities Department

Michele Loudenback

PO Box 370

Norman, Oklahoma

- 5. Engineer of Record: Mr. Nathan Madenwald, P.E.
- 6. Map and Street Location of Site: 3901 Chautauqua Ave., Norman, OK 73072.
- 7. Legal Location of Site: S/2 SW/4 SE/4 & SW/4 SE/4 SE/4 of Section 7-T8N-R2W in Cleveland County, Oklahoma; containing approximately 29.678 acres.
- 8. Type of Waste(s) to be accepted: Household hazardous waste, as defined in OAC 252:515-1-2.
- 9. Source(s) of Waste: City of Norman Residents.
- 10. Estimated Waste to be Received Daily:

Anticipated Waste Streams	Est. Amount Received Per Day (Lbs)
Aerosols	13.2
Alkaline Batteries	4.2
Corrosives-acids	4.3
Corrosives-bases	3.7
	20.1
Flammables (s)	
Flammables (l)	12.9
Fluor Bulbs (compact)	1.1
Fluor Bulbs (straight)	2.7
Grease (gallons)	2.64
HID Bulbs	0.05
Latex Paint	80.3
Lithium Batteries	0.68
Mercury	0.11
Ni-Cad Batteries	0.52
Oil-Based Paint	95.0
Oil Filters	0.49
Oxidizers	3.2
Pesticides (s)	20.0
Pesticides (I)	41.8
Propane- Small/Camp	0.43
Propane- BBQ	0.037
Reactives	0.17
Automotive batteries	2.3
	0.16
Fire Extinguishers	0.10

- 11. Population Served: 128,026 people.
- **12. 100-year Flood Plain:** No waste management areas are located within the 100-year flood plain.
- 13. Facility: The City of Norman HHW facility consists of a single building, two metal storage containers, and ancillary site improvements. The building is a 3,500 square foot prefabricated steel structure. The facility is configured to allow patrons to pull into the building where staff offload acceptable waste while patrons remain in the vehicles.
- **14. Buffer Zone:** All waste handling/management operations will occur at least 50 feet from the permit boundary.
- 15. Salvage and Recycling: No salvage and recycling will occur from the existing transfer station; however, the HHW facility will operate a swap shop of items in good condition for beneficial reuse by residents.
- 16. Equipment to be Utilized: Forklift, paint can crusher, fluorescent bulb crusher, and an aerosol disposal system
- 17. Operations: The City of Norman HHW Collection facility will be operated according to the approved Operations Plan. Patrons will remain in their vehicle while staff obtain information on the patron and the waste being delivered, ensure the waste is acceptable, and transfer waste from the vehicle to wheeled carts. The waste will then be weighed on scales. All offloading of waste from patrons, sorting/categorizing, and packing for removal will occur indoors. Sorting and segregating of waste will be performed by trained staff. During the scheduling of appointments, customers will be notified of accepted/ prohibited wastes and will be prescreened to prevent prohibited waste being brought on site.
- **18. Closure:** The City of Norman HHW Collection facility will be a clean closure according to the approved closure plan.
- 19. Financial Assurance: Not applicable.
- **20.** Estimated Life of Site Prior to Final Closure: This permit shall continue in effect until the Department approves the final closure.

#### B. CONDITIONS

- 1. Prohibited Wastes: OAC 252:515-19-31 and the Waste Exclusion Plan prohibit the following wastes from being accepted and disposed at the facility:
  - (a) Hazardous waste not generated from households;
  - (b) Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) waste;
  - (c) Regulated medical waste, except home-generated medical sharps provided they are in an appropriate leak-proof, sealed container;
  - (d) Radioactive waste;
  - (e) Asbestos waste;
  - (f) Non-hazardous industrial (NHIW) or commercially generated waste;
  - (g) Bulky and/ or nonhazardous waste;
  - (h) Putrescible waste;
  - (i) Biomedical waste:
  - (j) Electronics;
  - (k) Tires:
  - (l) Unknowns.

- 2. Holding Period: City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall not store putrescible waste at the facility. No household hazardous waste shall be stored on-site more than one (1) year.
- 3. Blowing Litter: City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall collect and manage household hazardous waste in a manner that will reduce wind dispersal. All unloading of waste will occur inside a building.
- **4. Open Burning Prohibited:** City of Norman HHW Collection Facility is prohibited from burning any solid waste.
- 5. Hours of Operation: City of Norman HHW Collection Facility will be open 9 AM to 3 PM Monday through Friday two weeks of the month and 9 AM to 3 PM Tuesday through Saturday for two weeks of the month. The facility will operate by appointment only with 30 minutes per appointment. City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall post signage listing the hours of operation.
- 6. Security: City of Norman HHW Collection Facility is enclosed by a 6-foot chain link fence with 3-strand barbed wire. The gate will be closed outside of facility operation hours. Facility attendant will be on site during operation hours.
- 7. **Disposal Facility:** City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall hire a contractor to dispose of all collected household hazardous waste at a site permitted to accept such wastes. The contractor addendum shall be added to Operations Plan and submitted to DEQ upon receipt.
- 8. Preservation of Aesthetics: City of Norman HHW Collection Facility is landscaped with Bermuda grass and plans to install rainwater harvesting along the main walk-in entry way. A median planter will be placed in the parking area with native plants and curb cuts. The facility shall plant and maintain plants, shrubbery, or trees as necessary to enhance the visual harmony of the facility.
- 9. Water Management: City of Norman HHW Collection Facility will conduct all waste transfer operations inside a building to prevent stormwater contact with the household hazardous waste.
- 10. Salvage: The City of Norman HHW Collection Facility will contain a swap shop room, a 263- square foot area where residents can take home products that were dropped off for disposal but are in large enough quantity and in good condition to be salvaged and used for their intended purpose. Typical products include pesticides and fertilizers, cleaners, and automobile products. Staff will determine if received wastes fit the required conditions and will place them in the shop for residents to take.
- 11. Records: The City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall keep on file at its central office this permit and permit application and copies of all:
  - (a) As-build facility construction plans, drawings and specifications;

- (b) Repair and maintenance records;
- (c) All monitoring data when monitoring is required;
- (d) A daily log to record operational information, including the quantity of refuse received;
- (e) Reports filed with DEQ; and
- (f) Closure Records.

### 12. Twenty-Four Hour Reporting

City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall report to DEQ any noncompliance which may endanger health or the environment. Any such information shall be reported orally within 24 hours from the time City of Norman HHW Collection Facility becomes aware of the circumstances. The report shall include the following:

- (a) Information concerning release of any waste that may cause endangerment to public health:
- (b) Information of a fire or explosion at the facility which could threaten the environment or human health; and
- (c) The description of the occurrence and its cause shall include:
  - i) Name, address, and telephone number of the owner or operator;
  - ii) Name, address, and telephone number of the facility;
  - iii) Date, time, and type of incident;
  - iv) Name, quantity and generator of materials involved;
  - v) The extent of injuries, if any;
  - vi) An assessment of actual or potential hazards to the environment and human health;
  - vii) Estimated quantity and disposition of recovered material that resulted from the incident; and
  - viii) If the occurrence is determined to be a result of faulty equipment, then similar equipment throughout the facility will be replaced to prevent the same occurrence.

# 13. Written Incident Report

A written report shall also be submitted to DEQ within five (5) days of the time City of Norman HHW Collection Facility becomes aware of the incident. The written report shall contain a description of the situation and the cause; the period(s) of the situation (including exact dates and times); whether the situation has been corrected; and, if not, the anticipated time it is expected to be corrected; and steps taken or planned to reduce, eliminate, and prevent recurrence of the situations.

### 14. Closure

- (a) **Notice:** City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall give notification to DEQ at least two (2) weeks prior to closure of the facility.
- (b) Certification of Final Closure: Within sixty 60 days after the completion of final closure for the entire site, City of Norman HHW Collection Facility shall submit to DEQ a notarized statement signed by an authorized agent for City of Norman HHW Collection

- Facility, and a certification, signed and sealed by an independent professional engineer registered in the State of Oklahoma, that the site was closed in accordance with the approved closure plan, the permit, and applicable Rules.
- (c) Closure Approval: Final closure of the City of Norman HHW Collection Facility must be in accordance with this permit, the approved Closure Plan, and regulatory requirements and must be approved in writing by DEQ.

g